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Dear Ms. Moore:

I support the development of liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facilities at the Port of Brownsville including the Texas LNG LLC project. Texas LNG is seeking authorization from the Department of Energy to export LNG by vessel to non-free trade agreement (non-FTA) countries for a 25-year term.

The proposed Texas LNG project will occupy approximately 110 acres at the Port of Brownsville. The project represents a \$1.3 billion direct investment in South Texas and will strengthen the U.S. energy infrastructure by promoting domestic production of natural gas from formations such as the Eagle Ford Shale.

Additionally, the proposed project will create hundreds of engineering, construction, and associated support jobs while generating substantial economic development in South Texas. This is particularly important in Cameron County, which has an unemployment rate of 8.0%.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to contact me at (202) 225-9901 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress